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The data sets published on pages 2.8, 2.9, and 2.10 (Very-Low Income Households, Low Income Households, and Moderate Income Households) were derived from several sources: The U.S. Census Bureau, the Federal Department of Housing and Urban Development, and Rhode Island Statewide Planning.

The reader should note several caveats applicable to these three tables:

- □ The data presented in these tables are not applicable for use with the CDBG or Section 8 Rental Assistance programs.
- The data presented on page 2.9 (Low Income Households) do not include Very Low Income Households (usually considered a subset of Low Income Households).
- □ The data presented on page 2.10 (Moderate Income Households) includes the subsets of Very Low Income Households and Low Income Households.